# FACES WORST

### **Cincinnati** Makes Preparations Combat Swollen Ohio

River May Top 70-Foot Mark---Lowlands To The West And East Of The City Already Submerged, While Along The Water Front Business Houses Are Disappearing Under The Yellow Waters Of The River---No Loss Of Life To Date

S. H. WILLIAMS

Lorain Solon Fathers Bill to

Rebuild Bridges In Ohio.

TO REBUILD BRIDGES

Ohio Legislature.

tative Williams of Lorais county in-

troduced an emergency bill to enable

the counties to rebuild the hundreds

county commissioners may issue

HERO OF THE FLOOD

Columbus Laborer Rescues More Than

the lives of 234 people single-handed

is the accomplishment in which John

avenue. West Side, is the heroic ag

ure. When the flood started Brady

secured a leaky boat, which floated

about, and then labored all day and a

part of the night in taking families from the houses in the district be-

tween the old Scioto river channel

and Central avenue, the part of the

city worst affected, carrying them to

safety at the Sun Manufacturing

State Won't Seize Railroade

Columbus, O., March 29.- The state

has not taken control of the railroads.

it not being necessary. The railroads

are co-operating with the state and

are turning over all trains that they

possibly can make up to the state for

the transportation of soldiers and sup-

plies. The state's interests come first The railroads are not permitting pri

state relief work. It is giving the

BOIL THE WATER

Advice of State Health Board to Flood-Stricken Towns. Columbus, O., March 29. - Boll a

water is the order of Dr. E. G. Mc Campbell of the state board of health.

Dr. McCampbell has organized detach-

ments of surgeons and sanitary engi-

neers who are working in all of the gooded towns and cities to prevent

pidemics and are organizing the

work and getting the local health au-thorities to co-operate.

An inspection was made of the West

vate business to interfere with

right of way in all cases.

230 Persons

Columbus, O., March 29. -

Columbus, O. March 29.—Represen

Emergency Bill Introduced

Cincinnati, O., March 29. - As the enters of the Ohio river continue to fice, increased in volume by the flood waters from tributaries east and north of here, this city is facing the worst flood in its history. The river Anne is 66 feet, with indications that before many hours have passed the gauge will reach 70 feet, almost the mark of 1884, the record year.

Weather forecasters here expressed conviction that by night the river would reach 68 feet and would go to the 39-foot mark early next week, probably Monday. The weather bureau also declared there would be a further rise of five to 10 feet at all points above here within the next two

At Cincinnati the conditions have not yet reached an acute stage, but it is feared that soon they will. All the sowland to the west and east of the city has been submerged and also along the water front of the business section the lower floors of the commercial houses are gradually disappearing under the yellow waves of the river. No loss of life has occurred we, due to the precautions of the

Across the river along the Kentucky re conditions are rapidly becoming At Covington more than 500 houses are reported submerged and theiroccupants are being given shelter protection in the public buildings that have been thrown open to them.

Plans are being formulated to care for flood sufferers, and a meeting was held at Covington at which the probwas given consideration and arents made to raise a sufficient for the purpose. At the same arrangements also were made for policing the flood zone and preventing

Newport, which with Covingt osite Cincinnati, form the larger of bridges in Ohio that have been dethe suburban sections, is in almost stroyed by the floods. It provides that as bad a case as its neighboring city. The flood water is rising in all parts bonds not exceeding \$100,000 for the blocks." declared Miss Alice McMilrebuilding of a bridge destroyed by lan, 1083 Sullivant avenue, as she filed the cellars of houses for the sec. casualty, without submitting the matter to a vote, and that the levy for the ond time within a year.

Streetcar lines soon will have to be payment of such bonds shall be above ned and it is feared that before the limit of the Smith 1 per cent tax many bours the lines into Cincinnati law. The bill carries an emergency clause so that it may take effect at have to cease operations. This also is true of Covington lines. is true of Covington lines. Eleconce. threatened with early stoppage.

Gallipolis, Q. March 29.—The most down the Ohio river valley. Gallis is the only dry town within a disof 75 miles either way. Pom- Brady, laborer, 167 North Princeton Middleport, Point use, Racine, Clifton and Mason are flooded. Cold weather has to the suffering of victims of o high waters.

Thirty-two Dead.

innati, O., March 29.-Another detricken village was heard from Coroner Foertmeyer was notithat 32 lives had been lost at oe, Butler county. The dead were as saved. Three bodies have been ed. . The postoffice of stee settlement is at Rose.

Fifteen Dead at Eaten. e. O., March 29.-Fifteen per are said to have given up their re as the result of the flood, of which are rapidly receding.

were taken from several build The property loss will approxi of militia is doing guard duty. Face Meat Famine.

mbus, O., March 29.—Local is houses announced they were ager able to supply local butch-lik fresh meat. The situation is Histihood that meat can arrive mbus from Chicago and Omaha three days.

City Aids Destitute. ingstown, O., March 29. — City city. The cold snap caused a de-d drop in the river, which has re-d three feet. ENGINEER'S WILD RIDE

Side bere. Later a detachment was

Detaches Locomotive From Train and Reacues His Loved Ones. Columbus, O., March 29. - "Track out at Columbus because of floods, was the message that Albert E. Dutoit of this city, a Hocking Valley railway. engineer of this city, read when his train was stopped at Walbridge, near Toledo. His heart gave a bound, for he knew that his family must be threatened. He detached his engine from the train and started on his race with death. Like mad he shot his engine across the space between Toledo and Columbus with a wide-open throttle. Reaching this city he experienced great difficulty in reaching the West Side, where his family resided. Finally he chartered a motorboat and in a few hours he had his eight-months-old baby in one arm and the other around the waist of his wife, and smiling all about him were the three other members of his family.

#### INDIANA DEATH TOLL REMAINS UNCERTAIN

Panic Attacking Towns All Along the Ohlo River.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 29. - In diana's flood death toll remains uncertain, with all reports confirming morconservative estimates of the loss of the southern valleys of the White and Wabash rivers, and all along the Ohio as rising waters threaten repetitions of the up-state horrors. Sunshine and disappearing waters relieved sufferers in the cities that have been flooded, and authorities in charge of various localities face a great problem in fighting off disease before the insistent demands of refugees that they be permitted to return to their devas-

West Indianapolis and Peru were placed under the strictest quarantine orders. Much serious sickness among Peru refugees prevails, threatening greater loss of life than was caused

Railroad and interurban facilities, both paralyzed by the flood, improved, and ample supplies can be sent to all stricken districts. Stirred to fear by the catastrophes in other Indiana cities, the newly threatened southern districts are taking extreme precautions against rising waters of the Ohio and other rivers, and persons in all danger districts have had ample warning of a possible record-breaking water mark.

Hundreds Driven Out.

Albany, Ind., March 29 .- Hundreds of families have been driven from their homes by the Ohio river rise and others are moving in anticipation of a further rise. All factories on the river front are closed. The Louisville-St. Louis division of the Southern is the only road entering here that is operating trains.

300 Dead In Two Blocks. Columbus, O., March 29. - "Three hundred lives were lost in these two pointed to the territory bounded by Bullivant and Thomas avenues, west of Glenwood avenue, West "Most of the houses collapsed early Wednesday, when the water reaches the top of the first floors.

"The scene was too horrible to de scribe," she added. "Scores and scores of people, who had been forced to the upper stories of their homes. tried to hang to bits of wreckage, would stay above the curernt for a few minutes and then sink, never to come up again."

Middletown's Dead.

Middletown, O., March 29.—There are 14 known dead here as the result of the flood. The property loss is estimated at \$1,500,000. The water is receding rapidly. There are 100 in been established in a schoolhouse. Measles has broken out among them There is no gas and no water, but the electric light service has been

Babes Born to Flood Sufferers. Columbus, O., March 29 .- More than 00 bables have been born in the food mothers nor the bables received any medical attention. Many of the bables have died from exposure and hunger; others are in a critical condi ion, as are probably a hundred pros

Pour Ge Bown With Bridge.

Delaware, O., March 29.—Four more were added to the list of persons known to be dead here. Frank Velk, 50: Charles E. Tibhala, 55; his son. Clark Tibbals, 17, and an unknown man, increase the list to 21. These four were on the Big Four bridge

Washington C. H., O., March 29 Residents of this city sent six car-loads of provisions and clothing to the flood sufferers and a quantity the needfuls to Chillicothe. Though the flood damage in Fayette county was very large, there were no fataliEDWARD F. DUNNE

Illinois Governor Wires His State Will Ald Ohio Sufferers.



#### NATION AIDS OHIO **FLOOD SUFFERERS**

life, while panic is attacking cities in Donations From Far and Near Will Exceed \$1,000,000.

> Columbus, O., March 29.-Relief unds in excess of \$300,000 have been received by Governor Cox. From the stack of telegraphic tenders on his desk he estimated the total to come would exceed \$1,000,000. Donations varied from \$58,500 sent by the Cleveland chamber of commerce to \$1, mailed from the penitentiary by Isalah Koon, a convict, who wrote: "I am a prisoner and have children that might need help."

In addition the New York World advised the governor it was sending \$150,000, of which \$10,000 was received by the City National bank of this city. Governor Osborne wired the Michigan legislature had approprinted \$25,000. Governor Dunne of Illinois wired that a bill appropriating \$100,000 had been introduced. Colonel M. L. Wilson, treasure

the state relief committee with Isaac D. Pugh of County Auditor Sayre's office, as special accountant, lost no time in drawing sight drafts on donors who wired they could be drawn upon. Among the donors ara: Alton B. Parker, \$5,000; city of Oak-land, Cal., \$5,000; Mayor Arnold of Denver, \$2,050; Mayor Snow, Fresno, Cal., \$1,000; Commercial Club, Salt Lake City, \$2,000; W. U. Telegraph company, \$1,500; Spokane Chamber of Commerce, \$1,000; Commercial Club, Fargo, N. D., \$500.

relief train reached Columbus with 300,000 rations, tents for 20,000 people, 29,000 blankets, 400 stoves, 109 ranges, 8,500 cots and 100 hospital tents. To care for anticipated need at Cincinnati 3,000 blankets and 3,000 bed sacks were sent there. A trainload of supplies sent by the United AS GOVERNOR COX SEES IT States army is en route to Ohio with engineer officers, who were on duty in the Mississippi valley last year and so are experienced in flood work. These have been assigned to Fort Wayne, Cincirnati, Youngstown and Hamilton. A medical officer, with 40 hospital corps men, has been ordered that sustained by San Francisco. to the Columbus barracks.

\*\*\*\*\*\* TAGGED BABY FOUND DESERTED IN A HOUSE.

Columbus, O., March 29 .-Walter Taylor, 94 North Princeton avenue," reads a card found id, found alone in a house on the stricken West Bide. if its parents had recently cared for it. The baby is being kept the parents at a hospital. The abo's parents are missing.

ALLENS EXECUTED

or, terribly unnerved by the excitement incident to the imay of six hours in carrying out the sentence, went to the chair bravely. The prinon guards next brought Claude Swan-see Allen, son of Flore, into the death chamber. He was executed without a hitch.

Meintyre to Join Indians.
Indianapolis, Ind., March 29.—Matty McIntyre, former slugger with the
Tigers and Sox, and last year with
San Francisco, will become an Indian.
He bought his own release and wants a job here. Mcintyre went to Detroit after a conference with Kelly. He will report lates this week.

## MAY NOT REACH

Romors of Large Loss of Life Estimate Dayton's Number of la Columbus Nct Confirmed.

PROPERTY DAMAGE TERRIFIC VICTIMS MOSTLY FOREIGNERS

Shells of Hundreds of Homes, It is Believed, Can Be Made Habitable In a Short Time-Military Authorities In Charge of the West Side Situation at Capital - Latest From

Columbus, O., March 29. - Another day has passed without Columbus being able to get a definite line on the number of dead as a result of the Scioto flood. Receding waters yield bodies and many of these are identifled. Relief agencies are receiving thousands of reports of refugees who are safe nd inquiries for hundreds of

persons who are missing.

Rigid investigation indicates that most of the rumors of large loss of ife will be proven untrue, but the death list will be appalling. A great portion of the West Side was swept lmost as if by a tidal wave and when the last water has drained away into the river channel it is possible that the number of dead will exceed 150. It may even go above 200.

Reports of those saved, which are coming in by the hundreds, give reason to believe that a substantial num-ber of those reported as being carried off when their houses gave way be fore the swollen torrent of water did not drown, as so many eyewitnesses asserted, but were rescued.

It is evident that where so much confusion exists concerning the saved, dead and missing, classified and alphabetically arranged lists would prove the only salvation for those seeking information.

The property damage on the West Side is terrible, although the shells of

most of the houses are standing. Hundreds of these houses can be made habitable very soon. The water on the West Side is now so low that men without boats made their way from the Hilltop and back.

Stringent remedies were taken to keep away from the West Side the sightseers and curious. The military authorities were largely in charge. The situation bore some of the charactivistics of martial law, although no formal order has been issued declaring such law in force.

Circleville sent a carload of relief supplies here over the Scioto Valley Traction line. The car contained 0,000 loaves of bread, 300 pounds of boiled ham, two cases of hardboiled eggs and other foodstuffs, besides a large quantity of clothing

"A barb wire fence on Mound street, between Mt. Calvary and Green Lawn cemeteries, is holding back 100 tons of debris and fully 100 bodies," says Police Officer Van Glesen, who has clares he has interviewed scores of boatmen who have visited the two cemeteries, and that these have substantially corroborated the earlier reports of a great loss of life

Ohio's Flood Loss Equal to That the San Francisco Disaster. Columbus, O., March 29.-Governor

Cox issued the following statement: "It is the concensus of opinion that the property loss in Ohio will exceed is safe to assume that more than baif the large railroad bridges in Ohio are down. The waters are receding at Dayton, Piqua, Zanesville, Fremont. Tiffin, Chillicothe, Hamilton, Middle-town and Columbus. The fall of the water will bring the real tragedy of "The indications are that the list

beyond the Scioto river, where western part of Columbus is compli-ly devastated. Zanesville presents m making the nearest appro-

to the Dayton situation.
"Our great difficulty still remains—
the lack of railroad transperiation. The two great reservoirs, the Lewis-town and St. Marys, have been kept

se whole country is making adid response to the appeal for President Wilson and his series of war and the treasury of the series of war and the treasure of the series of war and the treasure of the series of the se till. We still need m Hold For Grafting.

were indicted on charges of bri as a result of the district attorn crusade against graft in the police partment. Two patrolmen a civilian alleged to be a graft col also were indicted. Nineteen indict-ments were handed down and bench warrants issued for the six men in-

#### CITIZENS INVADE TWO HUNDRED FLOODED SECTION

Dead at Two Hundred.

of Damage Done by the Flood in the Pennsy Had Three Trains In Gem City, Declare the Property Loss Will Reach Fifty Millions. Harrowing Incidents of the Deluge

Dayton. O., March 29.- Dayton's 200. This estimate is based upon s personal canvass of almost 100 of Dayton's leading citizens, who have since the rising waters invaded the business section.

The property loss, purely tangible and real, will probably exceed \$50,000,000. This includes damage to real estate and public works; to manufacturing, mercantile and jewelers' stocks which were swept away; public utility. plants and equipment, and it includes also the cost of rebuilding miles of asphalt streets and walks, which were child. terally ripped from their beds.

Dayton, which comprises districts of a more substantial character; in Riv-erdale, in Daytonview and other residence districts there was almost no loss of life. Several lives are known to have been lost in the business dis-

The flood assumed dangerous aspects early Tuesday morning before the passengers had to eat. nost people had started to work. Consequently the loss of life in Riverdale, the trains and the passengers slept North Dayton and West Dayton was in the cars at night. There was some occasioned when dwellings, mostly of fish and other provisions in the exlight construction, were swept away press car of one train and this was and shattered by the swiftly moving cooked and eaten by the passengers. current, leaving the occupants who had fied to safety in the second the men and there was a game constories to fight for their lives in the stantiv going for almost five days. water.

Charles Potter, his wife and six verturned and all lost their lives.

were supplemented here by interest taken in an infant, for two days probably the sole occupant of a floating tion, and brought to the National of the passengers on the three trains. Cash Register company police head-quarters. There was nothing on the from Brink Haven was not out on achaby or found in a hurried inspection indicate whom its parents might be.

Adjutant General Wood ordered that all saloons be kept closed and declared that no one will be permitted on the streets after dark. H. E. Talbott has been appointed chief engl neering officer, with full control over all streets, roads and sewers.

A daring robbery was thwarted when the police arrested a man who was escaping from the city with satchel containing \$50,000 in onds and jewelry, which he had sto-

swept away by the flood and front windows demolished.

and none is flowing over the bank Celina, on the west, and St. Marys, o the east bank, reported the reservoir holding. There were no fatalities near here, but 13 miles north of Van Wert three bodies of unidentified mes were taken from a creek.

JUDGE BISCHOFF KILLED

New York Jurist Plunges Down Eleva-ter Shaft to Beath. New York, March 28.—Justice Hen-Bischoff of the New York state su preme court plunged il stories down an elevator shaft to his death in the

where he had offices.

Justice Bischoff entered the elegor at the ground floor, apparently
tending to leave it at the twelfth flo

where he had offices. By mistake he left at the eleventh floor. He detect turned to re-enter the car. In meantime the car had shot upward the operator closing the door as the vehicle ascended. Justice Bischoff, who was near-sighted, did not see the scending car and fell through the eartly open door.

Lancaster, O., March 29.hich destroyed the home of death. The members of the

Who Were Tied Up On Trains In Brink Haven

Have Exciting Stories To Tell Upon Arriving Here

Brink Haven Burtng Flood

Five Columbus traveling men, who have been in Brink Haven since Tuesoss of life probably will not exceed day night on account of the flood, arrived in Mt. Vernon shortly before noon Saturday and told most exciting stories of their experiences.

The traveling men got out of Brink been engaged in relief and rescue Haven Saturday morning and walked all the way to Danville and from there they were driven to Mt. Vernon and caught the 12:25 train to Colum-

Three Pennsylvania trains were tled up in Brink Haven on account of the flood. There were 114 passengers on the three trains, out of this number 8 were women and one young

The traveling men stated there The loss of life is confined almost were 35 houses washed away in the entirely to North Dayton, inhabited village, but there were only three by foreigners and laborers. In West drownings—that of the Workman

The traveling men say they were treated exceptionally well by the people of Brink Haven and before they left they named the place Brink trict, but none of the rumors that hu"Heaven." The passengers on the
man beings had perished in the fire three trains were well fed for the three trains were well fed for the which swept two city blocks would first few days, but for the last day stand the test of searching investiga- or so provisions were nearly exhausted and eggs were about the only thing

There were four Pulman cars on

stantly going for almost five days.

It was stated by the traveling men bildren were drowned while attempt. that the Pennsylvania railroad bridge ng to escape from their wrecked at Brink Haven was not washed away. The wagon in which they were but that the approaches to the bridge seing conveyed to a place of safety on both sides were swept away and that the wagon bridge was carried Horrors of a flood refugee center away and Souted down stream and now rests on the railroad bridge.

The railroad company established three telegraph instruments in the house. The baby, a girl, about two three telegraph instruments in the weeks old, was found wrapped in Pullman cars and two operators were blankets and apparently little per- on duty most of the time in sending turbed because of its perilous situa- out messages to relatives and friends

> The traveling men gave out the information that the Pennsylvania railroad company has a force of men at work south from Orrville and have now reached a point near Killbuck. The track is being repaired and it will not be long before trains are running over the north end of the

> Many of the passengers on the trains are now leaving Brink Haven overland and are trying to reach their homes or the homes of relatives. However, the railroad company are still taking care of the passengers in the Pullman care and will continue to de so until traffic in again established.

> The traveling men stated that there were some exciting scenes in Brink Haven the time that the flood was at its height and all stated that it was an experience that they do not care to so through for some time to come.

Mr. Eric Wagner of Cleveland, O., arrived in Mt. Vernon Saturday morning to spend a few days with relatives.

